



Wichita Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Board

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The Wichita Bicycle and Pedestrian Board shall advise the Mayor; City Council; City Manager; all departments; all offices of the City; City Boards and committees; and other public agencies that provide services within the City, on matters related to bicycling and/or walking and the impact that their actions may have on the bicycling and/or walking environment. City of Wichita Ordinance 490441

The League of American Bicyclists
Attn: Bicycle Friendly Community Program Specialist
1612 K Street NW, Suite 308
Washington, D.C. 20006

January 15, 2015

Re: Support for the City of Wichita's Application to become a Bicycle Friendly Community

Dear League of American Bicyclists:

On behalf of the Wichita Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board we wish to encourage the League of American Bicyclists to recognize the City of Wichita as a Bicycle and Friendly Community. The board notes that there has been a dramatic improvement by the City of Wichita to enhance our city's bicycle facilities and become bicycle friendly community.

Recent milestones related to cycling achieved by the City of Wichita are:

- Through community engagement and involvement the City of Wichita City Council developed and approved a comprehensive Master Bicycle plan in 2013.
- Created by city ordinance the Wichita Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board to advise the council on bicycle matters.
- Established biennial \$500,000 funding for bicycle facilities in the City of Wichita Capital Improvement Program that the city anticipates will leverage approximately \$10 million from federal and other funding sources This would result in \$12.5 million to develop bicycle infrastructure over the next 10 years.
- Initiated 10 priority bicycle projects across the city in 2013-2014 that are now under design and/or under construction.

A Bicycle Friendly Community designation will be positive step for our community. The designation will highlight the cycling progress made to date and will strengthen the continued flow of positive energy and momentum for continued bicycle projects, community education and traffic safety. Wichita is a great place to bike, with a Bicycle Friendly Community designation our community will demonstrate its commitment to improve the quality of life for its citizens.

Jack Brown, Chair

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